

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY ROME

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7970

INFO AMEMBASSY ALGIERS

AMEMBASSY TUNIS

AMCONSUL MILAN

AMCONSUL NAPLES

AMCONSUL PALERMO

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MILAN HOLD FOR TURIN

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, EFIN, EIND, IT, AG

SUBJECT: ITALIAN PROJECTS IN ALGERIA

REF: ROME 17207

DURING CONVERSATION WITH THE AMBASSADOR ON OTHER  
SUBJECT OCTOBER 21, FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER OSSOLA CONFIRMED  
HIS DEPARTURE FOR ALGERIA FOLLOWING DAY AND PRESS REPORTS  
OF DECISIONS BY CIPES (INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR FOREIGN  
ECONOMIC POLICY) REGARDING CREDITS TO ALGERIA. HE RE-  
FERRED TO GAS PIPELINE PROJECT AS "SOMETHING WE WANT" AND  
TO PIRELLI TIRE PLANT AS "SMALL". HOWEVER, HE FLATLY  
STATED THAT FIAT PROJECT WAS TOO LARGE. WHILE FIAT HAS  
BEEN REQUESTED TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE REDUCTION OF SCALE  
OF PROJECT WITH ALGERIANS, OSSOLA WAS DOUBTFUL LATTER  
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WOULD AGREE. ALTHOUGH THERE WERE ADVANTAGES SUCH  
AS POSSIBLE AUTOMOBILE SALES THROUGHOUT AFRICAN MARKET,  
OSSOLA REPEATED THAT GOI COULD NO AGREE TO THAT  
MAGNITUDE OF FINANCING (COST OF PROJECT LIRE 2,000  
BILLION, OF WHICH LIRE 1,800 WOULD NEED TO BE FINANCED).  
IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION, OSSOLA INDICATED LITTLE  
CONCERN OVER ALGERIA'S CREDIT SITUATION, NOTING THAT

BOTH IMF AND IBRD HAD DETERMINED THAT MEDIUM-TERM  
POSITION WAS SATISFACTORY.  
GARDNER

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